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**Dear Mr. Dulles:**

I am in agreement with the conclusion in your letter of 7 June suggesting that a Board of Consultants be constituted to review and report to me on the work of the Central Intelligence Agency. Such a review, in addition to covering the important objectives you outline, should conform to the following standards. It should supply the Central Intelligence Agency with guidance; it should be so conducted as to assist you as Director in protecting intelligence sources and methods from unauthorized disclosure as provided in the National Security Act of 1947; it should assist you in furnishing to the appropriate Committees of Congress such information with respect to the operations of the Agency as they may reasonably require in the exercise of their legislative, appropriative and investigative functions.

At my request, General Omar Bradley, Dr. Karl Compton and Mr. Robert Sprague have consented to serve as the member of the Board of Consultants. You are instructed to make available to them such information as they may require in connection with their review. Other intelligence agencies of the government will be

instructed to afford the Board like facilities insofar as it may deem this necessary in considering CIA's function in the coordination of the intelligence activities of the government.

It is my desire that the Board should complete its study in time for my consideration before your budget appropriations for FY '55 are submitted to the Congress.

Sincerely,